ORDINANCE NO. 96.7

VILLAGE OF ALMONT Ordinance No. 96A

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 96

The Village of Almont ordains:

That the following sections be added to Ordinance No. 96; Section 1A, Section 21A, Section 22A, Section 23A:

SECTION 1A

1. Section 16 of Ordinance No. 96 is hereby repealed and replaced by the following section, Section 16A;

SECTION 16A

- 1. No free service shall be furnished by the system of the Village or to any person, firm, or corporation, public charges for services furnished by the system shall be billed and collected quarterly (3 months) or oftener, as shall be determined from time to time by the Village Council by resolution. Where water charges are billed quarterly, the water meters shall be read and the bills rendered during each of the months of January, April, July and October, or at such other times as the Council shall hereafter adopt by resolution. Water charges shall be due and payable on or before the tenth (10th) of the following month following the rendition of the bill and if such charges are not paid on or before such due date, then a penalty of 10 percent (10%) shall be added thereto. In the event that the charges for any such services furnished to any premises shall not be paid within thirty (30) days after the due date thereof, then all services furnished by the system to such premises shall be discontinued. Services so discontinued shall not be restored until all sums then due and owing, including penalties, shall be paid, plus a shut off and turn on charge. Said shut off and turn on charges shall be set and changed by resolution of Village Council.
- 2. Before any new water customer or user may obtain service and have his/her water turned on or before an old water service which has forfeited its previous deposit can be turned on, a cash deposit must be made with the Village Clerk. Such deposit shall be deposited by the occupant of the premises, except where the occupant can show to the Village Clerk, a lease or written statement by the property owner stating that the property owner is to be responsible for the payment of the water service. In such instance, the property owner and not the occupant shall be required to make the above deposit. The amount of the above said deposit shall be set and changed by resolution of the Village Council.

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3. After the deposit stated in part two (2) of this section shall have been deposited for a period of at least twenty four (24) months with the Clerk, said deposit shall be returned to the depositor providing, however, that during the said twenty four (24) month period the depositor has not been late or delinquent in paying his water service charge, or for other good cause to be determined by the manager. If said refund is not claimed within period of seven (7) years after the deposit is eligible to be returned to the depositor or if the Clerk is unable to ascertain what the depositors' address is within seven (7) years after the deposit is eligible to be returned to the depositor, the depositor shall have forfeited all claims to said deposit, and the deposit shall be transferred into general fund by the Clerk. Before being transferred into General Fund deposits shall be held in a non-interest bearing checking account.

SECTION 20A

1. Severability. Should any section, clause, or provision of this amendment to Ordinance No. 96 be declared by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part declared to be invalid.

SECTION 21A

1. Penalties. Any violation of this amendment to Ordinance No. 96 shall be considered a violation of Ordinance No. 96 and the penalties provided in Ordinance No. 96 for its' violation shall also apply to a violation of this, the amending ordinance.

SECTION 22A

1. A Publication and Recording. This ordinance shall be published and recorded as provided in the Village Charter.

SECTION 23A

1. Effective Date. This ordinance amendment shall become effective the 7th day of April 1987.

dward F. Murphy, President

Lisa L. Potrafka Clerk

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